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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's office action rejection mailed on August 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.